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For: NON-VOLATILE MEMORY DEVICE AND DATA STORING METHOD

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Prior to the commencement of continued examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.